

## **AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:**

Page 1, please add the following new paragraphs before paragraph [0001]:

[0000.2] CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

[0000.4] This application is a 35 USC 371 application of PCT/DE 03/02336  
filed on July 11, 2003.

Please replace paragraph [0001] with the following amended paragraph:

[0001] **Specification**      **BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

Please replace paragraph [0002] with the following amended paragraph:

[0002] **Prior-Art**      **Field of the Invention**

Please replace paragraph [0003] with the following amended paragraph:

[0003] The invention is ~~based on a~~ directed to an improved return-flow-free fuel supply system ~~as generically defined by the preamble to claim 1~~ of the type employed with an internal combustion engine.

Please add the following new paragraph after paragraph [0003]:

[0003.5] Description of the Prior Art

Please replace paragraph [0004] with the following amended paragraph:

[0004] In a fuel supply system for an internal combustion engine, fuel from a fuel tank is pumped by a fuel pump via a pressure line to a fuel distributor, located on the ~~internal combustion~~ engine and having injection valves, or to a gasoline or Diesel high-pressure pump. Modern fuel supply systems have a built-in tank unit, inserted into the fuel tank, and the fuel pump, an intake filter, and a pot as a fuel reserve are integrated with it; the pot is filled with one or more suction jet pumps. The suction jet pumps consequently assure that even when the fuel level in the fuel tank is dropping, the pot is always completely filled in order to furnish the reserve fuel. The

suction jet pumps are disposed in the suction jet pump line, which branches off from the pressure line and discharges into the pot.

Page 2, please replace paragraph [0007] with the following amended paragraph:

[0007]        ~~**Advantages of the Invention**~~

SUMMARY AND ADVANTAGES OF THE INVENTION

Page 3, please delete paragraph [0009].

Page 4, please replace paragraph [0012] with the following amended paragraph:

[0012] This provision can be dispensed with in a second embodiment, in which the magnet valve is formed by a 2/3-way valve, of which an inlet communicates with the pressure line, a first outlet communicates with the suction jet pump, and a second outlet communicates with a pressure limiting valve. This 2/3-way valve is controlled by the engine control unit such that in a currentless state it connects the inlet with the second outlet, while in the state with current it connects the inlet with the first outlet. Consequently, when the engine is stopped and the engine control unit is without current and hence deactivated, the 2/3-way valve automatically, for instance by spring prestressing, switches into its currentless position, in which the pressure line communicates with the pressure limiting valve, by way of which overpressure is then reduced **again**. In normal operation under load or in engine overrunning, the

2/3-way valve is conversely supplied with current by the engine control unit, so that the suction jet pump is connected to the pressure line.

Page 5, please delete paragraph [0016].

Please replace paragraph [0017] with the following amended paragraph:

[0017]        **Drawings**     BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Please replace paragraph [0018] with the following amended paragraph:

[0018] ~~Exemplary embodiments of the invention are shown in the drawing and explained in further detail in the ensuing description. In the drawing,~~  
Other features and advantages of the invention will become apparent from the description combined hereinbelow, taken in conjunction with the drawings, in which:

Page 6, please replace paragraph [0019] with the following amended paragraph:

[0019] Fig. 1 is a schematic illustration of a preferred embodiment of a fuel supply system of the invention; and

Please replace paragraph [0021] with the following amended paragraph:

[0021]        ~~Description of the Exemplary Embodiments~~  
DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS

Page 8, please replace paragraph [0026] with the following amended paragraph:

[0026] In the overrunning mode, the injection valves 16 are closed, so that the fuel **stream flow** in the pressure line 12 is equal to zero; at the same time, because the

magnet valve 40 continues to be supplied with current and is thus kept open, the suction jet pump line 34 has a flow of fuel through it and consequently feeds fuel into the swirl pot 2.

Page 9, please replace paragraph [0030] with the following amended paragraph:

[0030] Both putting the suction jet pumps 38 out of operation and varying the shutoff pressure can also be effected by the ~~3/2~~ 2/3-way valve 44 in the second embodiment shown in Fig. 2, if at the above-described, adequate level in the fuel tank 4 the magnet valve is switched in such a way that the inlet 46 communicates with the second outlet 50, which discharges into the pressure limiting valve 52. Then, the part of the suction jet pump line 34 located downstream of the 2/3-way valve 44 is blocked up to a predetermined pressure level, so that the suction jet pumps 38 are no longer supplied with fuel.

Page 10, please add the following new paragraph after paragraph [0031]:

[0032] The foregoing relates to preferred exemplary embodiment of the invention, it being understood that other variants and embodiments thereof are possible within the spirit and scope of the invention, the latter being defined by the appended claims.